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SUBJECT: RHODESIAN FRONT RETAINS SEATS IN BY-ELECTION

1. GOVERNING RHODESIA FRONT (RF) HAS SUCCESSFULLY DEFENDED RURAL SINOIA-UMVUKWES (54 PERCENT OF VOTE) AND URBAN BULAWAYO-RAYLTON (66 PCT OF VOTE) /SEATS IN FEBRUARY 28 BY-ELECTIONS. RHODESIA PARTY (RP) FINISHED SECOND IN BOTH CONTESTS, POLLING 31 PCT IN RAYLTON AND 24 PCT IN SINOIA. RIGHT-WING CANDIDATE LEN IDENSHOHN, WHO LOST HIS DEPOSIT WHEN HE CONTESTED VICTORIA BY-ELECTION LAST MAY, WON SURPRISING 19 PCT (199 VOTES) OF VOTE IN SINOIA. MULTI-RACIAL CENTER PARTY FINISHED DISTANT LAST IN BOTH CONSTITUENCIES.

2. COMMENT: RF GOVERNMENT OF PRIME MINISTER IAN SMITH STILL SEEMS TO HAVE FIRM SUPPORT OF RHODESIAN ELECTORATE. DURING CAMPAIGN RP SEVERELY CRITICIZED GOVERNMENT'S HANDLING OF WORSENING GUERRILLA PROBLEM BUT PROBABLY LOST VOTES IN WAKE OF RP LEADER ALLAN SAVORY'S SUGGESTION LAST WEEK THAT,

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PROVIDED VIOLENCE STOPPED, ZANU AND ZAPU LEADERS BD

INVITED TO ALL-PARTY CONFERENCE ON RHODESIA'S FUTURE.
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